

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA

AUGUSTA DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	)	
	)	
v.	)	CR 114-041
	)	
STEVEN CELESTINE STIDDONS	)	

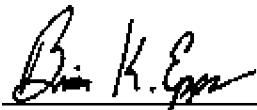
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**ORDER**

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In his emergency motion filed on September 3, 2014, Defendant requests permission to attend the funeral of his teenage son tomorrow at Burke County High School. (Doc. no. 109.) The Court is saddened by the news of this tragedy and extends its sincere condolences to Defendant and his family. The Court cannot permit Defendant to attend the services, however, because controlling guidelines issued by the U.S. Marshals Service strictly prohibit defendants from attending funeral services. For this reason, the Court **DENIES** the motion.

SO ORDERED this 5th day of September, 2014, at Augusta, Georgia.

  
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BRIAN K. EPPS  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA